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FM AMEMBASSY TUNIS

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BOURGUIBA SPEECH MIDDLE EAST DEVELOPMENTS

REF: TUNIS 5848

1. IN RADIO/TELEVISION ADDRESS LATE MORNING OCTOBER 7, PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA ANNOUNCED THAT GOT SENDING TUNISIAN TROOPS TO HELP "EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN BROTHERS." BOURGUIBA STATED HE HAD TELPHONED PRESIDENT SADAT AS WELL AS QADDAFI TO INFORM THEM OF THIS DECISION HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT HE ALSO TOLD THEM IT WOULD TAKE "SEVERAL DAYS" FOR THESE TROOPS TO ARRIVE.

2. IN ADDITION, PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA WARNED HIS AUDIENCE THAT GOT WOULD NOT TOLERATE REPETITION OF JUNE 1967 ANTI-JEWIST, CONFIDENTIAL

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ANTI-FOREIGN DEMONSTRATIONS WHICH OCCURRED IN CITY OF

TUNIS. HE SPECIFICALLY ADVISED THAT NO ACTION SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT AGAINST TUNISIAN JEWS OR THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, CONTINUING THAT TUNISIA'S SECURITY FORCES ARE PREPARED TO TAKE EVERY MEASURE APPROPRIATE TO PROTECT JEWS AND ALL FOREIGNERS RESIDING IN THE COUNTRY.

3. COMMENT: WHILE PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA'S WARNING SHOULD GO FAR TO KEEP SITUATION HERE UNDER CONTROL, EMBASSY HAS NONETHELESS TAKEN NUMBER OF STEPS IN WARNING PHASE OF E&E PLAN AND IN CONNECTION WITH FORMAL STANDFAST ACTION AS REPORTED REFTEL.
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